

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 1124

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: XV, TGEN, AR, UK  
SUBJECT: ANTARCTIC TREATY

REF: STATE 14573

1. PARAGRAPH 3C OF REFTTEL IMPLIES THAT HEAP THINKS MARAMBIO AIRSTRIP HAS ALREADY BEEN IMPORVED.
2. EMBASSY WISHES TO POINT OUT THAT THIS NOT RPT NOT THE CASE. AIRSTRIP NOW IN USE IS SAME ONE WHICH HAS BEEN USED FOR PAST CONFIDENTIAL

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FEW YEARS. IT IS BARELY ADEQUATE FOR USE BY C-130'S.

3. NEW, MUCH LONGER STRIP IS PLANNED, AND WILL BE COVERED WITH ALUMINUM MATTING. GRADING WORK HAS YET TO START. CONSTRUCTION PROBLEMS ARE NOT SIMPLE; NEITHER WILL BE CONTINUING UPKEEP AFTER COMPLETION. BEGINNING OF ACTUAL USE OF NEW RUNWAY, IN ANY CASE, APPEARS TO BE SOME YEARS OFF.

4. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE ARGENTINA, ESPECIALLY AIR FORCE,  
IS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATION IN MORE GENERAL ANTARCTIC  
AIR TRANSPORT SYSTEM, AND AGREE THIS IS BECAUSE OF ITS  
MARAMBIO STATION. TO SMALL DEGREE, IT DOES FULFILL THIS  
ROLE NOW, DELIVERING MAIL AND OCCASIONAL PASSNGER TO  
AND COLLECTING FROM U.S. PALMER STATION AND OTHER STATIONS IN  
PENINSULA AREA VIA TWIN OTTER AIRCRAFT BASED AT MARAMBIO.  
THE WHEELED C-130'S CONNECT MARAMBIO WITH RIO GALLEGOS AND  
BUENOS AIRES, THE LATTER FLIGHTS BEING MADE YEAR-ROUND ON  
AT LEAST A MONTHLY BASIS.  
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